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IN RE THE APPLICATION OF )  
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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION**

Honorable Director of Patents and Trademarks  
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Dear Sir:

The present application is the national filing of international application number PCT/GB2003/002570. Before calculation of the national filing fee for the United States, it is requested that the Application be amended as follows: